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## From the Dean of School



Happy Summer!

As the school grows, so does its administrative team. We look forward to working with Ms. Stewart this year as the Director of Student Affairs. She joins Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Lavallee and me in administration. Ms. Stewart has hit the ground running already to prepare for the new year! Feel free to drop her a line of introduction at: [paula.stewart@tfanh.org](mailto:paula.stewart@tfanh.org). Welcome, Ms. Stewart!

The first round of schedules should be out next week. A special thank you to the Registrar, Mr. Mckenzie, for working so hard this summer to make this happen.

The first day of school is September 4, 2018. The school day runs (like last year) from 7:45am to 3:10pm. Morning drop off begins at 7:20am

I hope that you continue to have a great summer.

With gratitude,  
Maureen Mooney  
Dean of School

## From Director of Student Affairs



Dear Founders Community,

Please allow me to introduce myself and say thank you for the warm welcome I have experienced thus far at Founders Academy. I am very happy to be here. My name is Paula Stewart and I have come on board this summer as the Director of Student Affairs. In this role, I will be handling student issues, including discipline, as well as overseeing the student services department.

Student Services has been hard at work this summer on scheduling, updating the program of studies, and preparing for the new school year. We are looking forward to having your students return to school. If you have any questions, concerns, or information you want to share, please do not hesitate to contact us. If your child's last name begins with A through I, your counselor is Mrs. Castonguay. If your child's last name begins with J though Z, your counselor is Mrs. McGinnis. If your questions are related to your child's IEP or 504 plan, please reach out to Mrs. Murphy.

As I have met teachers, students, and families over the summer, many conversations have taken place about the dress code here at Founders Academy. One concern that was voiced was that it needed to be clear and

consistently enforced. In an effort to address this, input was sought from interested teachers, students, and parents as to how the dress code might best be updated. Megan Brown (a sixth grade teacher) wrote a proposed draft, which was reviewed by a small group of parents and students. The attached suggested dress code edits will be presented to the Board of Trustees on Wednesday August 22. Thank you to all who provided input.

Please feel free to reach out to me here at Founders to introduce yourself or with questions or thoughts to share. Have an enjoyable and restful end to the summer break!

Sincerely,  
Paula Stewart, Director of Student Affairs  
Paula.stewart@tfanh.org

Suggested Dress Code Edits (last updated 8/15/17 - MB)

*The Founders Academy Public Charter School celebrates the whole person. One of the ways that individual students express themselves is the way they dress. In growing the leaders of the future and the guardians of our liberty, we want to encourage students to make clothing choices that are respectful to themselves, to their teachers and administrators and to the school.*

General Guidelines	No hoods or hats No inappropriate, negative or disrespectful messages or graphics (no alcohol, tobacco, drugs, violence, weapons, or profanity) No rips, tears, or holes in clothing No sheer clothing, unless solid underneath All undergarments must be covered completely
Tops	Tops must have modest neckline All straps must be two fingers in width at minimum Midriff must be covered at all times
Bottoms	Shorts must not be shorter than fingertip length Skirts/dresses must be 2 ½ inches above knee No messages or words on backside Pants must not fall below the waist No sheer pants or leggings, unless covered with skirt or dress

	Shoes	No backless shoes (no flip flops) Heels cannot exceed 2 ½ inches high
	Makeup, Jewelry & Hair	Hair, makeup and accessories will be modest and appropriate No piercing (other than traditional earrings) or body art may be visible Students may only wear natural hair colors

### From the Board of Trustees

The next Board Meeting is **August 22, 2018 at 5:30pm**. The agenda can be seen [here](#) with links to the attachments within the agenda.

If you have any questions for the board please email [clerk@tfanh.org](mailto:clerk@tfanh.org).

### Summer Assignments 2018

Summer assignments in Humanities and math are posted now. Please review each of your summer assignments for this fall. Don't forget to plan your time accordingly so you will not rush to hastily complete your work! Please contact Mr. Kline at [c.kline@tfanh.org](mailto:c.kline@tfanh.org) with questions. Thank you!

Summer Assignments are online at this site: "[summer assignments](#)".

## School News

### 6th Grade Orientation 2018, By Ms. Efraimson

Hello all incoming 6th grade families! We are so excited to meet you Wednesday, August 29th during our 6th grade orientation from 8:30-11:30. Please plan on arriving between 8:15-8:30. We will be doing a simulation of an actual school day drop off, so please be aware of the teachers and signs outside. Below I have included the agenda for our orientation!

**8:15-8:30** - Parent Drop Off in front

**8:30-9:00** - Welcome by Miss. Efraimson, Dean Mooney, and Ms Stewart.

**9:00-10:30**- Students in Round Table Discussion

I.

1. What is Round Table - Founders Mission Statement
  2. Code of Conduct
  3. Dress Code
  4. School Supplies
    - Lockers
  5. Bell Schedule
    - 5 mins in between bell
  6. Schedule of classes
  7. Assignment books
  8. Code of Discipline
- II. Tour of the school
- III. Q&A with Founders Students
- 10:30-11:15-** School wide scavenger hunt
- 11:15-11:30-** Get ready for dismissal
- 11:30-** Dismissal - Will be a simulation of actual car pick up dismissal.

We look forward to meeting each and every one of you! Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Thank you,  
Jackie Efraimson  
World Language Dept. Chair  
J.efraimson@tfanh.org

## **New Incoming 7th-12th Grade Orientation 2018, By Ms. Efraimson**

Hello all incoming 7th- 12th grade families and students! We are so excited to meet you Wednesday, August 29th during our 6th grade orientation from 12:00 - 3:00. Please plan on arriving between 11:45-12:00. If you are a student driving your own car please park in the front on the left hand side of the building all the way down towards the sign that says Evacuation area no. 1. All students who are being dropped off please come in through the front doors. Please see the agenda for orientation below.

- 11:45-12:00** Parent Drop Off in front
- 12:00- 12:30** Welcome by Miss. Efraimson, Dean Mooney, and Ms Stewart.
- 12:30- 2:00** Students in Round Table Discussion
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  4. School Supplies
    - Lockers
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    - 5 mins in between bell

6. Schedule of classes
7. Assignment books
8. Code of Discipline
  - II. Tour of the school
  - III. Q&A with Founders Students

**2:00- 2:45** School wide scavenger hunt

**2:45-3:00** Get ready for dismissal

**3:00** - Dismissal

We look forward to meeting each and every one of you! Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Thank you,  
Jackie Eframson  
World Language Dept. Chair  
J.eframson@tfanh.org

## PTSA Operation Drop-Off

From the TFA PTSA,

Greetings to all of the Founders Academy returning and new families. On **Friday August 24th from 5:00 – 8:00pm and Saturday August 25th from 9:00 – 12:00am** we are inviting you all to help us launch “Operation Drop Off”. As many of you know our school is always in need of many supplies as we receive only about a third of the funding that other schools do. So this year we are asking all of you to be as generous as you can to help kick off the 2018 – 2019 school year with as many supplies for the school that we can. There is a link below that has the list of most needed items. Our goal is to try and collect as many items as we can on these two days so that we can try to have the school all stocked up for the first half of the school year. So if you are able to, please consider helping out and coming by the School at the dates and times listed above, and the PTSA will be there to help unload your items and get them into the school. I know that copy paper is a big item that the school is always out of, and the other items on the list are important as well. So we are again asking you to be as generous as you can and start getting some items now so that you can participate in “Operation Drop Off” and help to insure that all of our students and teachers have the necessary supplies that they need. It will also be a great time for you to meet some members of the TFA PTSA and learn what we are all about. Have a great summer.

-The Founders Academy Parent Teacher Student Association

[Operation Drop-Off Needed Items](#)

## Save the Dates in October 2018

More details to come on these exciting events occurring in October:

**October 19** - PTSA Fall Festival for all grades and families.

**October 26** - Halloween Dances: Middle School 3:30pm - 6pm **AND** High School 6:30pm - 9pm.

See you there!

## High School News

### "Back to School Paint Night" for High School Students and Families

**Deadline to sign up is approaching on August 24!**


Hello everyone!

I hope you are all having a fantastic summer. On **August 31st at 6pm** at Founders, we will be hosting a back to school paint night for all high schoolers and their families, as well as Founders staff. We would like this to be a fun activity to welcome new and returning Founders students and their families back to school.


The paint night will be hosted by J.J. ArtWorks Paint Party Professionals and we will be working with Silvia Patita, one of his accredited artists. Please see this link to buy tickets (<http://bit.ly/2LnmRFD>) or the attached pdf to see the information outlined. We need to have an accurate number by August 24th so please purchase tickets by then.

If there are any problems or questions feel free to contact me at [allison.ouellette@tfanh.org](mailto:allison.ouellette@tfanh.org) and I'll get back to you as soon as possible.

We hope to see you there!



**The Founders Academy Paint Party**




**Join Us!**  
Friday, August 31st  
From 6:00-8:00pm

**Founders Academy**  
5 Perimeter Road  
Manchester, NH 03103

*(We will be painting "Summer Nights")*

**Register your spot!**  
Purchase your ticket from the link: <http://bit.ly/2LnmRFD>

No painting experience necessary.  
All supplies included!



[www.jjartworks.com](http://www.jjartworks.com)

### C3 School Photography SENIOR Portraits

C3 School Photography, who does our student pictures, is offering a half off session fee (normally \$40), now only \$20, for an indoor and outdoor Senior portrait session at their studio.

Call this number to set up an appointment: 603-212-9090.

See this [LINK](#) for their pricing list.



# Middle School News

## Middle School School Supplies

Please review the school supplies required for middle school students here:

[http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/students/back\\_to\\_school\\_supplies](http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/students/back_to_school_supplies)

Other specific supplies ( including those for high school students ), will be reviewed by each teacher within their syllabi.

Thank you!

## Middle School Reading Lists

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are happy to announce the middle school reading list is here! Many of our incoming parents have requested the reading list for the 2018-2019 academic year. If you have any questions regarding the books please email [admissions@tfanh.org](mailto:admissions@tfanh.org).

### **English Book List 2018-2019**

All books can be found on Amazon for purchasing.

#### Level One English (6th Grade)

- Tales of Ancient Egypt, Roger Lancelyn Green
- D'Aulaires' Book of Greek Myths, Ingri and Edgar Parin D'Aulaire
- Black Ships Before Troy, Rosemary Sutcliff
- Myths of the Norsemen, Roger Lancelyn Green

#### Level Two English (7th Grade)

- Sadlier- Oxford Vocabulary Workshop new edition, Level B, Jerome Shostak
- Vocabulary from Classical Roots - Book A, Nancy Flowers, and Norma Fifer
- Redwall, Jacques, Brian
- The Prince and the Pauper, Mark Twain. Digireads.com Publishing, 2017.
- The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood, Howard Pyle. Digireads.com Publishing.

#### Level Three English (8th Grade)

- Sadlier Oxford Vocabulary Workshop Level C, Jerome Chostak
- Vocabulary from Classical Roots - Book B by Norma Fifer
- The Dover Anthology of American Literature, Volume I: From the Origins Through the Civil War (Dover Thrift Editions) by Bob Blaisdell (Editor)
- Johnny Tremain, Esther Hoskins Forbes (Author)

Thank you for choosing Founders!

Regards,

Founders Admissions Committee  
admissions@tfanh.org  
603-952-4705

### **Middle School Yearbooks - Pick Up**

The Middle School Yearbooks are in! Please plan to pick up your pre-purchased edition at the front desk on Tuesdays-Thursdays from 9-3pm.

Thank you!

## **Volunteer Opportunities/Donations/Fundraising**

### **Mrs. Perrella Donors Choose: Great Beginnings - Building An AP Lab From Scratch**

We need equipment and supplies for our first-ever AP Biology lab! Dialysis tubing helps them perform AP Lab 4, in which students model diffusion of materials into and out of the cell. Guaiacol is a chemical we need for Lab 13: it helps students see for themselves the color changes that happen when a common enzyme, catalase, does its work in the cell.

The mitosis and meiosis cards, needed for Lab 7, can be reused year after year.

They are a good way to stretch ever-needed funds, and they help students exercise critical quantitative and qualitative lab skills on their way. We are so grateful to you for your help. Thank you!

[Building an AP Lab From Scratch](#)

### **High School Cafe Gofundme**

“Michael Hubbard and David Gandia decided to remodel the high school eating area for their senior project. They have decided to get new tables, chairs, furniture, and repaint the walls because it is in need of change. The remodel would allow students not only to only eat there, but to have high school events as well. Any donations would be appreciated to help them reach their goal.”

Click the link below to donate!

<https://www.gofundme.com/remodel-of-lower-cafeteria-tfa>

### **Ms. Mote's Donors Choose: Getting Technical with Theatre!**

My students need tools and resources (headsets, monitors and theater books) to improve their technical theatre experience in lighting and backstage communication!

[Getting Technical with Theatre!](#)

### **Ms. Fortier's Donors Choose: There's a Smock for That!**

Ms. Fortier is looking for aprons in the Art Department for students to "fearlessly and messily create!"

Donate here:

[https://www.donorschoose.org/project/theres-a-smock-for-that/3416071/?utm\\_source=dc&utm\\_medium=sendFriend&utm\\_campaign=tpc\\_complete&utm\\_term=teacher\\_3912412&rf=sendFriend-dc-2018-07-tpc\\_complete-teacher\\_3912412&challengeid=20846896](https://www.donorschoose.org/project/theres-a-smock-for-that/3416071/?utm_source=dc&utm_medium=sendFriend&utm_campaign=tpc_complete&utm_term=teacher_3912412&rf=sendFriend-dc-2018-07-tpc_complete-teacher_3912412&challengeid=20846896)

### **Ms. Marcotte's Donors Choose: Adding STEAM to Education**

Donations of any size will help my kids. Right now, any contribution you make to my project will be doubled by Craig Newmark Philanthropies. Your donation will brighten my students' school year, and you'll get heartfelt thank-yous from my class and photos of your gift in action. Our technology department needs some additional student devices to have enough for paired programming of physical computing & optional wearable technology we are adding into the curriculum this year.

Link: [Adding STEAM to Education](#)

## **Other**


### **School Calendar**

Regularly check the school calendar online link: <http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/calendar>

Grid format: <http://thefoundersacademy.org/calendar/2018%20-%2019%20School%20Calendar>


NOTE: Dates are continuously added and possibly changed throughout the year. Please check the online school calendar regularly.

## Founders on Social Media!

Be sure to follow Founders on **Facebook** here: 

Founders' Facebook **Carpooling** Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/123952141583545/>

Founders' Facebook **Volunteering** Parents Group:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1527282857342512/>

Be sure to follow Founders on **Twitter** here: 

Check out Founders **Youtube** Channel here: 



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